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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of Michael A. ROLNICK et al. :  
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Serial No.: 10/764,794 : Group Art Unit: 3743  
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Filed: January 26, 2004 : Examiner: Shumaya B. ALI  
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For: Method for Splinting Rib Injuries : Atty Docket No.: ROL-004US

Mail Stop **AMENDMENT**  
Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated April 7, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are set forth on pages 2 and 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in this listing of the claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include the attached new sheets of drawings.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix**, including new figures 8A - 11, is attached following page 8 of this paper. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d), each drawing sheet is specifically labeled in the top margin as "New Sheet".